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1. FOR EMBASSY'S INFO, FLUOR CORP. ADVISED COMMERCE/MEPD THAT COMPANY HAS SENT TECHNICAL TEAM TO VENEZUELA THIS WEEK, AT INVITATION OF PETROVEN, TO MAKE PRESENTATION ON NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS EXTRACTION TECHNOLOGY. THREE OTHER U.S. FIRMS WERE ALSO INVITED. ALL FOUR FIRMS (NO KNOWN FOREIGN COMPETITION) ARE PURSUING CONTRACT FOR 150 MILLION DOLLARS NATURAL GAS LIQUIDS EXTRACTION PROJECT TO BE BUILT AT ANACO. SECOND PLANT OF EQUAL SIZE ALSO PLANNED. METHANE FUEL APPARENTLY NEEDED FOR IRON ORE FACILITIES IN EASTERN VENEZUELA AND ALSO FOR CITY OF CARACAS. SOME OF PRODUCT TO BE PUMPED TO PUERTO LA CRUZ. ETHANE WILL BE EXTRACTED AND WILL PRESUMABLY PROVIDE FEEDSTOCK FOR PETROCHEMICALS COMPLEX PLANNED FOR THE AREA. CONSULTANT ON PROJECT IS A FORMER U.S. CITIZEN, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MILTON JOHNSON, WHO IS NOW WITH PETROVEN.

2. SINCE NO FOREIGN COMPETITION ANTICIPATED, DO NOT BELIEVE SPECIAL EMBASSY EFFORT WILL BE REQUIRED, AT LEAST ON FIRST GAS LIQUIDS PROJECT. HOWEVER, ABOVE INFO INDICATES PETROVEN MOVING FORWARD WITH EASTERN VENEZUELA GAS UTILIZATION AND PETROCHEMICAL PLANS AND WE

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